

ADJUSTABLE COLLIMATOR AND METHOD

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A collimator for X-ray apparatus has an aperture defined by the edges of four movable flexible shutters. Each shutter can be moved independently of the other shutters; thus, the position and the size of the aperture can be adjusted at will. The shutters are moved by winding them onto drums; each drum is driven by a stepping motor. Springs bias the shutters towards the closed position of the collimator.